

BRETON SOUND BLOCK 18 FIELD
02-731

LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF LOUISIANA, OFFICE OF CONSERVATION, BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA.

In accordance with the laws of the State of Louisiana, and with particular reference to the provisions of Title 30 of Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, a public hearing will be held in the Hearing Room, 1st Floor, LaSalle Building, 617 North 3rd Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, at 9:00 a.m., on **WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 18, 2002**, upon the application of **AMERADA HESS CORPORATION**.

At such hearing the Commissioner of Conservation will consider evidence relative to the issuance of an Order pertaining to the following matters relating to the **Cibicides Carstensi Sand, Reservoir B**, in the Breton Sound Block 18 Field, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana.

1. To establish rules and regulations and to create a single drilling and production unit for the exploration for and production of gas and condensate from the Cibicides Carstensi Sand, Reservoir B, such unit to be designated CIB C RB SUA.
2. To force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within the proposed unit, with each tract sharing in unit production on a surface acreage basis of participation.
3. To designate Amerada Hess Corporation as operator of the unit created herein.
4. To designate the Amerada Hess Corporation- SL 16443 No. 1 Well as unit well for the proposed CIB C RB SUA, at the location shown on the plat submitted with the application.
5. To recognize that the Cibicides Carstensi Sand, Reservoir B, whose limits are shown on the plat submitted with the application, is a new discovery pursuant to LSA-R.S. 47:648.1 - 648.4, as amended.
6. To recognize that the Amerada Hess Corporation - SL 16443 No. 1 Well (SN 223551) located as shown on the plat submitted with the application, is a new discovery well for the Cibicides Carstensi Sand, Reservoir B, pursuant to LSA-R.S. 47:648.1 - 648.4, as amended.
7. To permit the applicant to designate and utilize its SL 16443 No. 2 Well as alternate unit well for the proposed CIB C RB SUA, located as shown on the plat submitted with the application.
8. To provide that any future wells drilled to the proposed unit shall be located in accordance with the spacing provisions of Statewide Order No. 29-E.
9. To recognize that the proposed unit and alternate unit well are necessary to efficiently and economically drain the subject reservoir.
10. To permit the operator to produce the unit allowable from the existing unit well, the proposed alternate unit well, or both at the discretion of the operator.
11. To provide that the Commissioner of Conservation should be authorized to reclassify the reservoir created herein by supplemental order without the necessity of a public hearing if the producing characteristics of the reservoir change and evidence to justify such reclassification is submitted to and accepted by the Commissioner of Conservation.
12. To consider such other matters as may be pertinent.

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The Cibicides Carstensi Sand, Reservoir B, in the Breton Sound Block 18 Field, Offshore Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana, is hereby defined as being that gas and condensate bearing sand encountered between the depths of 8,982' and 9,214' (ELM) in the Amerada Hess Corporation - SL 16443 No. 2 Well.

A plat is available for inspection in the Office of Conservation in **Baton Rouge** and **Lafayette**, Louisiana or may be found at the following site:

www.dnr.state.la.us/CONS/CONSEREN/hearings/pubhearings.htm.

All parties having interest therein shall take notice thereof.

BY ORDER OF:

JAMES H. WELSH

COMMISSIONER OF CONSERVATION

Baton Rouge, La

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IF ACCOMMODATIONS ARE REQUIRED UNDER AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT, PLEASE ADVISE THE OFFICE OF CONSERVATION - ENGINEERING DIVISION AT P. O. BOX 94275, BATON ROUGE, LA 70804-9275 IN WRITING WITHIN TEN (10) WORKING DAYS OF THE HEARING DATE.